

THE FENCE LAW.—As a matter of great interest to our country readers, we give below the act of the General Assembly "relating to fences and for the protection of crops," passed January 26, 1866:

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly,* That in any county of this Commonwealth which shall adopt the provisions of this act in the manner hereinafter specified, the boundary lines of each lot or tract of land in said county shall be, and they are hereby, constituted a lawful fence.

2. It shall not be lawful for the owner or manager of any horse, mule, swine, sheep, goat, or neat cattle of any description, to permit the said animals to run at large beyond the limits of their own lands.

3. If any of the animals enumerated in the foregoing section shall hereafter be found going at large, or upon the lands of any person other than the owner, the owner or manager of said animals shall be liable for all damage or injury done by the said animals to the owner of the crops or lands upon which they may trespass, whether the said animals wander from the premises of their owner in the county in which the trespass was committed or from another county.

4. In case of trespass, as aforesaid, the aggrieved party may make complaint to a Justice of the county in which the trespass is committed, who shall issue his warrant immediately, returnable within five days from the date thereof, and at the time and place named in said warrant the case will be tried, and the amount of damage sustained by the complainant shall be ascertained and judgment given for the same, with legal costs, as in the case of other warrants. And upon a repetition of the offence and for every succeeding one judgment shall be given for double the amount of damage sustained by the complainant provided that where the judgment of the Justice shall be for a sum exceeding fifty dollars, the defendant upon appeal to the County Court, shall be entitled to demand a trial by jury in said Court, and the judgment of the said Court upon the appeal shall be according to said verdict, subject to the right of said Court to set the verdict aside, according to the rules of law. A lien upon the trespassing animals for the payment of the damages, with costs, thus ascertained, shall attach from the date of the warrant, and shall supersede all other liens, except when the Commonwealth or the United States have a previous claim for public dues upon said animals.

5. The County Court of any county in this Commonwealth, after due summons to the justices thereof to attend at some regular court of said county for the purpose—a majority of the acting justices being present and a majority of those present concurring—may declare the provisions of this act or any one or more of them, to be in force in their county, or in any selected portion thereof, as to any or all of the animals enumerated in this bill; in which case, the first section of chapter ninety-nine of the Code of 1860 shall be inoperative in said county, or in such selected portions thereof—otherwise shall continue in full force. Nothing in this act shall deprive the injured party of his action of trespass, when the damages are laid in a sum exceeding the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace; but this act shall not apply to the county of Accomac.

6. That the act passed February 8th, 1864, entitled "an act for the protection of crops in Fairfax, Alexandria and Prince William counties" be, and the same is hereby repealed.

7. This act shall be in force from its passage.

BY JOHN H. PARROTT, AUCTIONEER.

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Alexandria, Dec. 12, 1865. dec 12—tf

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